

TOWN OF WILTON

SELECTMEN'S MINUTES

Date: August 20, 2012

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Place: Town Office

Present: Chairman Steven J. McDonough, Selectman William F. Condra and Recording Secretary Pamela Atwood. Daniel E. Donovan, III was absent.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Chairman McDonough.

John Shepardson was first on the agenda. The Board agreed that Bill Condra would cover the Building Inspectors position during John's vacation.

John first talked about a property on Maple Street that seems to have too many cars parked on the lot. John suggested writing a letter to the property owner if the Board agreed. Selectman Condra stated that there are no restrictions if the cars are registered. John stated that the driveway on this property is a deeded easement and some of the cars are on town property. The Board agreed that John should move forward on this issue.

John showed the Selectmen a copy of a letter the Department of Environmental Services sent to Granite State Concrete stating that they are currently operating with a portable generator which is not subject to permitting by DES. John stated that they are currently in full operation with this generator. Chairman McDonough asked if John had heard from the Maclellans. John reported that he had not.

Next John reported on an issue involving a lot on Route 31 North owned by NTV, LLC. The lot previously had a structure on it that was used as a fishing camp. The owner wants to rebuild the structure but John believes that there are many reasons why he is not allowed to do so; including setback issues, floodplain and shore land protection issues. Chairman McDonough instructed John to get Attorney Little's opinion and suggested that they go to the ZBA.

John was told of a possible automobile repair business apparently taking place in a structure that had only been approved for parking the owner's personal vehicle in. Chairman McDonough and John talked about how this resident had previously gone before the Planning Board for business approval and, as they recalled, was turned down. When asked by the Chairman if John could confirm that a business was being run out of the structure, John stated that he had no direct knowledge. He will wait until he has better information.

John told the Selectmen about a person who is processing firewood on Gibbons Highway without site plan approval; a report of occupancy in a trailer behind a business on Gibbons Highway; and a farm stand in that area that also has cars for sale. There was some discussion on these items.

Bob Duquette came to the meeting to discuss a "SIGI" grant application for the interconnection between Milford and Wilton. Bob discussed the project in detail. He also informed the Board that a warrant article would need to be in place to go forward with the funding and that the Town would be taking out a 20 year loan for this project. Chairman McDonough questioned the reasons for bringing Wilton's water into Milford. Bob said that a second water source is needed. Tom Schultz joined the meeting to explain the need for a back-up system. Chairman McDonough asked about a viable location for a second well. Tom agreed that the Water Commissioners should come up with some numbers for other solutions. There was further discussion on the issue. Selectman Condra was concerned about the water users taking on additional costs over and above the recent rate increase. Tom stated that the grant request is probably a long shot but it makes people understand how important a second source of water would be.

A motion was made by Chairman McDonough to go into nonpublic session per RSA 91-A:3(c) at 7:40 P.M. for the balance of the discussion with the McGettigan brothers about the Suzette Hutchinson estate. The motion was seconded by Selectman Condra followed by a unanimous vote.

The meeting was called to order at 7:52 P.M.

The Board decided to meet on August 27th and then again on September 10th so a meeting would not fall on Labor Day.

The Selectmen discussed the Pead Hill property that has the communication site. They will discuss it at the next meeting when Selectman Donovan will be present.

Selectmen Donovan will be asked if he would like to continue in his role as the MACC Base Selectmen's Representative.

The Board approved the purchase of a computer as planned for in the budget.

The DPW job description was discussed noting that there is no mention of who oversees the cemeteries. Steve Elliott hires them, but the question is who they report to. Chairman McDonough thought Steve Elliott was responsible for their activities. Mr. Elliott suggested asking the Cemetery Trustees if they are able to accept the responsibility. Pam was given permission to make a comment at which point she stated that reporting the hours worked time sensitive and very important. The Board would like to get input from the Trustees so they will be asked to the next meeting.

Chairman McDonough and Selectman Condra agreed that they would attend the boundary walk with the Lyndeborough Selectmen on September 15th at 9:00 A.M.

Discussion on the Personnel Policy was tabled until the next meeting.

The Board signed an excavation warrant and a timber tax warrant.

The Primex ballot was signed.

One vacation request was signed.

A new and improved employment application was approved.

Three (3) property tax abatements were signed.

Payroll was approved.

The minutes were approved.

Selectman Condra reviewed and commented on a letter from Ciardelli Fuel Company regarding problems they have obtaining permits from the Town of Wilton. Mr. Condra stands by the Building Inspector's procedure of issuing permits, stating that we are not willing to hand out

permits without review by our inspector. The Board asked for a draft letter next week to review.

Next, the Board read a letter from a lady who had her car towed for parking on private property. The Board will look into the matter.

The Board reviewed the correspondence and informational material. Chairman McDonough will meet with Steve Elliott to discuss the sidewalk out front.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 P.M. The motion was seconded and followed by a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted;

Pamela L. Atwood,
Recording Secretary